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2000/7
United Nations Development Fund for Women

The Executive Board

1. *Notes with appreciation* the results achieved by the United Nations Development Fund for Women in implementing the Strategy and Business Plan, 1997-1999, as contained in document DP/2000/15/Add.1;

2. *Recognizes* the significant progress made by the United Nations Development Fund for Women in becoming the centre of excellence within the operational activities for development of the United Nations system for innovative and catalytic programmes promoting women's empowerment and gender equality, in line with its mandate as contained in General Assembly resolution 39/125;

3. *Reaffirms* the focus of the United Nations Development Fund for Women on strategic interventions in its areas of comparative advantage and within its three thematic priorities, and on supporting innovative and experimental activities in implementing the Strategy and Business Plan within the context of the Beijing Platform for Action and of the follow-up to the five-year review of the Fourth World Conference on Women;

4. *Also reaffirms* the role of the United Nations Development Fund for Women in promoting gender-mainstreaming throughout operational activities for development of the United Nations system, in the context of the resident coordinator system and in particular within the common country assessment and United Nations Development Assistance Framework processes;

5. *Endorses* the programme focus, strategies and targets set out in the Strategy and Business Plan, 2000-2003, of the United Nations Development Fund for Women (DP/2000/15), taking into account the comments made by the Executive Board at its current session;

6. *Takes note with appreciation* of the conference room paper on UNIFEM execution of UNDP projects and programmes (DP/2000/CRP.7), prepared jointly by the two entities, and recommends that the Administrator include the United Nations Development Fund for Women among the organizations to which execution responsibility for United Nations Development Programme projects and programmes can be entrusted, with the understanding that such execution would be limited to cases in which the United Nations Development Fund for Women has a comparative advantage, where these programmes and projects cannot be executed by an appropriate national or regional entity, and where they are consistent with the strategies of the Fund set out in the Business Plan;

7. *Encourages* the United Nations Development Fund for Women to mobilize resources for its future activities from all available sources, including the private sector, and urges all Member States to contribute and to consider increasing their contributions to the United Nations Development Fund for Women.

6 April 2000

2000/8
UNFPA and sector-wide approaches

The Executive Board

1. *Notes with appreciation* the report on sector-wide approaches contained in document DP/FPA/2000/CRP.3;

2. *Encourages* UNFPA to strengthen further its participation in the design and execution of sector-wide approaches in accordance with its mandate and comparative advantage, and in particular regarding normative aspects, in the areas of reproductive health, including family planning and maternal and sexual health, and population and development strategies and its comprehensive advocacy for gender equality and the empowerment of women and requests the Executive Director to report thereon to the Executive Board in the annual report of the multi-year funding framework;

3. *Also encourages* UNFPA, where feasible, to play an advocacy role to ensure that reproductive health and rights and population variables are included in other relevant sectors;

4. *Urges* UNFPA in its involvement in sector-wide approaches to pay increased attention to the growing problems caused by the HIV/AIDS epidemic;

5. *Endorses* UNFPA participation, on a case-by-case basis, in common-basket funding arrangements in sector-wide approaches where UNFPA is satisfied that adequate monitoring, reporting and accounting mechanisms are in place, taking into account the views expressed by the Executive Board at its second regular session 2000 and in this respect encourages UNFPA to join with partners to support and strengthen programme country systems for monitoring, reporting and accounting, where feasible;

6. *Requests* UNFPA to track carefully its involvement in sector-wide approaches, compiling lessons learned and good practices, including the impact UNFPA participation in common baskets has on the achievement of the multi-year funding framework outputs, and to share this knowledge with the Executive Board and, where appropriate, with Governments, donors, partners in the United Nations system and civil society organizations;

7. *Also requests* the Executive Director to keep UNFPA financial regulations under active review, taking into account any adjustment that may facilitate the full participation of UNFPA in sector-wide approaches and to present proposals on this issue to the Executive Board at its first regular session 2002 after having submitted it to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

8. *Further requests* UNFPA, in collaboration with United Nations Development Group partners, where appropriate, to ensure adequate staff training on sector-wide approaches to enable the full participation of UNFPA in the processes.

6 April 2000

2000/9
UNFPA multi-year funding framework, 2000-2003

The Executive Board

1. *Reaffirms* its decision 99/5 on the UNFPA multi-year funding framework (MYFF);

2. *Notes with appreciation* the report of the Executive Director on the multi-year funding framework, 2000-2003 (DP/FPA/2000/6);

3. *Welcomes* the significant achievements of UNFPA both at headquarters and in the field in developing the multi-year funding framework;

4. *Welcomes* the strategic direction of the multi-year funding framework and looks forward to its continued implementation;

5. *Requests* the Executive Director to implement the multi-year funding framework, 2000-2003, taking into account the views expressed at the Executive Board at its second regular session 2000, and the previous relevant decisions;

6. *Notes* the funding scenarios accompanying the results framework as representing UNFPA resource mobilization targets and encourages all countries in a position to do so to assist UNFPA to reach a total figure of regular and supplementary resources of $1,434 million for the period 2000-2003;

7. *Requests* the Executive Director to provide updated estimates of regular and supplementary resources in the multi-year funding framework at the third regular session 2000;

8. *Encourages* UNFPA, in consultation with the Executive Board, to evaluate regularly the actual and projected resource situation, taking into account resources received in order to contribute to programme effectiveness, and thereby to encourage all countries in a position to do so to increase their contributions to UNFPA;

9. *Requests* the Executive Director, in consultation with the Executive Board, to continue to develop and refine the multi-year funding framework as a strategic management tool at corporate and country levels, which integrates programme objectives, resources, budget and outcomes, with the objective of increasing core resources, taking into account experiences gained as the framework is implemented as well as the views expressed by members of the Executive Board at the second regular session 2000, *inter alia*,

(a) Refinement of outputs and time bound indicators;

(b) Refinement of the linkages between strategies, goals and outputs;

(c) Further exploration of the methodology for evaluating the relationship between results and available resources, recognizing that there is no direct, one-to-one statistical link between resources and results;

(d) Further development of UNFPA resource mobilization strategy;

10. *Reiterates* the need for the full engagement of programme countries at all stages in the elaboration, monitoring and reporting of the results framework;

11. *Requests* the Executive Director, from 2001 onwards and in conjunction with the announcement of voluntary core contributions to UNFPA, to report every year at the annual session, as per paragraph 81 of document DP/FPA/2000/6, on:

(a) Annual progress in contributing to the goals and achieving the outputs identified in the results framework and;

(b) Status of financial implementation of the resources framework;

12. *Also requests* the Executive Director to report to the Executive Board at its annual session 2001 and annually thereafter, on the development and refinement of the multi-year funding framework;

13. *Requests* the Executive Director to present a detailed report at its annual session 2003 on the results achieved in the cycle, lessons learned, and their implications for priority setting and formulation of the multi-year funding framework for the subsequent cycle taking into account the need to harmonize UNDP/UNFPA/UNICEF reporting cycles.

7 April 2000

2000/10
Overview of decisions adopted by the Executive Board at its second regular session 2000

The Executive Board

Recalls that during the second regular session 2000, it:

Item 1
Organizational matters

Approved the agenda and work plan for its second regular session 2000 (DP/2000/L.2 and Rev.1) as orally amended;

Approved the report of the first regular session 2000 (DP/2000/9);

Agreed to the following schedule of sessions of the Executive Board in 2000 and 2001:

Annual session 2000:	13-23 June 2000 (Geneva)
Third regular session 2000:	25-29 September 2000*
First regular session 2001:	29 January-10 February 2001
Annual session 2001:	11-22 June 2001 (New York)
Second regular session 2001:	10-14 September 2001

Agreed to the work plan for the annual session 2000 of the Executive Board, contained in the annex to the present decision;

Took note of the Administrator's plan to pursue consultations with all partners

* Subject to the approval of the Committee on Conferences

to explore their individual interest in convening a ministerial-level meeting to address the current funding situation of the organization at the earliest appropriate date, taking into account all comments made during this session on that issue;

UNFPA segment

Item 2
UNFPA sector-wide approaches

Adopted decision 2000/8 of 6 April 2000 on UNFPA and sector-wide approaches;

Item 3
UNFPA multi-year funding framework

Adopted decision 2000/9 of 7 April 2000 on the UNFPA multi-year funding framework, 2000-2003;

Item 4
Funding commitments to UNFPA

Took note of the report on funding commitments to UNFPA (DP/FPA/2000/CRP.4);

Joint UNDP/UNFPA segment

Item 5
Reports to the Economic and Social Council

Took note of the reports of the Administrator (DP/2000/11) and the Executive Director (DP/FPA/2000/7) to the Economic and Social Council and agreed to transmit them to the Economic and Social Council with comments made thereon;

Decided to transmit Executive Board decision 99/20 on the United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration to the Economic and Social Council;

UNDP segment

Item 6
Business plans

Took note of the report: Meeting the challenge: the role of UNDP in crisis, post-conflict and recovery situations, 2000-2003 (DP/2000/18) and invited the Administrator to present to the Executive Board, at its first regular session 2001, a document that further elaborates on the specific role of the United Nations Development Programme in special development situations and to present concrete

plans for its further implementation after a full and wide-ranging consultation process;

Took note of the executive summary of the evaluation: "Sharing new ground in post-conflict situations: the role of UNDP in reintegration programmes" (DP/2000/14);

Item 7
Funding commitments to UNDP

Took note of the oral report on the emerging results of the multi-year funding framework;

Took note of the report on regular funding commitments to the United Nations Development Programme and its associated funds and programmes for 2000 and onwards (DP/2000/CRP.6 and DP/2000/CRP.9);

Item 8
Evaluation of relationship between UNOPS and UNDP

Took note of the executive summary of the evaluation of the relationship between the United Nations Office for Project Services and the United Nations Development Programme (DP/2000/13) and the note on the evaluation of relationship between UNOPS and UNDP: a joint review of the recommendations (DP/2000/CRP.8) and decided to revert to this item at its annual session 2001;

Item 9
Country cooperation frameworks and related matters

Authorized the Administrator to approve assistance to the Republic of the Congo on a project-by-project basis for 2000-2001;

Authorized the Administrator to approve assistance for Afghanistan on a project-by-project basis for the period 2000-2003;

Took note of the report on earmarkings for the target for resource assignments from the core for 2000-2003 (DP/2000/17);

Took note of the following extensions of country and regional cooperation frameworks:

First extension of the cooperation framework for technical cooperation among developing countries	DP/CF/TCDC/1/EXTENSION 1
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Anguilla	DP/CCF/ANL/1/EXTENSION 1
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Barbados	DP/CCF/BAR/1/EXTENSION 1
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for the British Virgin Islands	DP/CCF/BVI/1/EXTENSION 1

First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Dominica	DP/CCF/DMI/1/EXTENSION 1
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Granada	DP/CCF/GRN/1/EXTENSION 1
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Guyana	DP/CCF/GUY/1/EXTENSION 1
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Saint Lucia	DP/CCF/STL/1/EXTENSION 1
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	DP/CCF/STV/1/EXTENSION 1
First extension of the first regional cooperation framework for Latin America	DP/RCF/RLA/1/EXTENSION 1

Approved the following country cooperation frameworks:

Second country cooperation framework for Kazakhstan	DP/CCF/KAZ/2
Second country cooperation framework for Kyrgyzstan	DP/CCF/KYR/2 and Corr.1
Second country cooperation framework for Zimbabwe	DP/CCF/ZIM/2

Took note of the following country reviews:

First country review report for Cambodia	DP/CRR/CMB/1
First country review report for Uzbekistan	DP/CRR/UZB/1
First country review report for Zimbabwe	DP/CRR/ZIM/1

Item 10
United Nations Development Fund for Women

Adopted decision 2000/7 of 6 April 2000 on the United Nations Development Fund for Women: Strategy and Business Plan, 2000-2003;

Item 11
Other matters

7 April 2000

Tentative work plan
Executive Board of UNDP/UNFPA
Annual session 2000, Geneva (13 to 23 June 2000)

Day/date	*Time*	*Item*	*Subject*
Tuesday, 13 June	a.m.	1	Organizational matters: Adoption of the agenda and agreement on the work plan
			UNFPA segment
		2	Report of the Executive Director for 1999
	p.m.		*UNFPA Special Event:*
			Panel Discussion: Adolescent Reproductive Health
Wednesday, 14 June	a.m.	2	Report of the Executive Director for 1999 (continued)
		3	ICPD+5
	p.m.	7	Emergency assistance
Thursday, 15 June	a.m.	6	UNFPA programming process
	p.m.	4	Evaluation
Friday, 16 June	a.m.	5	Information and communication
			Pending decisions
	p.m.		**UNDP/UNFPA joint segment**
		8	Internal audit and oversight
		14	Other matters: UNAIDS
Monday, 19 June	a.m.		**UNDP segment**
		9	Annual report of the Administrator for 1999, including the results-oriented annual report (ROAR)
	p.m.	9	Annual report of the Administrator for 1999, including the ROAR (continued)
Tuesday, 20 June	a.m.	9	Annual report of the Administrator for 1999, including the ROAR (continued)
		10	Communication and advocacy strategy
	p.m.	11	United Nations Volunteers
Wednesday, 21 June	a.m.	12	Country cooperation frameworks and related matters
	p.m.		*UNDP Special Event:*
			Debate on the future of United Nations operational activities for development (*timing tentative*)
Thursday, 22 June	a.m.	13	United Nations Office for Project Services
			– Annual report of the Executive Director
			– Responsibility of UNOPS for personnel matters (dec. 99/17)

Day/date	*Time*	*Item*	*Subject*
	p.m.	13	United Nations Office for Project Services (continued)
	Evening		*Informal meeting with NGOs/CSOs*
Friday, 23 June	a.m.	1	Organizational matters
	p.m.		Pending decisions